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SUBJECT: ANTI-RATSIRAKA TRACTS CIRCULATE IN TANANARIVE

1. MADAGASCAR MATIN ON JUNE 6 ANNOUNCED IN BANNER HEADLINES: "SUBVERSIVE TRACTS ARE CIRCULATING." PAPER SAID THAT MILITARY GOVERNOR HAD DECLARED SUCH TRACTS ILLEGAL DURING PERIOD OF MARTIAL LAW AND REQUESTED PUBLIC TURN IN TRACTS AND THEIR DISTRIBUTORS TO AUTHORITIES. CONTENT OF TRACTS NOT DESCRIBED IN PRESS.

2. EMBASSY COMMENT: EMBASSY HAS SEEN ONE TRACT WHICH IS WELL-MIMEOGRAPHED AND SIGNED BY "BLACK STAR." TRACT IS ANTI-RATSIRAKA, RACIST AND EXNOPHOBIC. TRACTS ATTACKING FORMER FONMIN DIDIER RATSIRAKA REPORTED HAVE BEEN CIRCULATING FOR PAST SEVERAL DAYS, ALTHOUGH OTHERS, ALSO RACIST IN TONE, HAVE BEEN CIRCULATING FOR PAST FEW MONTHS. (SEE "TRANSLATIONS ON AFRICA," NUMBER 1590, P.24.) RATSIRAKA IS ACCUSED OF PLOTTING WITH PSM LEADERS TO TURN MADAGASCAR OVER TO GREAT POWERS AND HAVING RECENTLY GONE TO FRANCE TO GET MONEY FOR THIS PURPOSE.

2. GIVEN GOMR PUBLIC CONDEMNATION OF TRACTS, PUBLIC INTEREST IN THEM WILL SURELY INTENSIFY. THAT CALLING PUBLIC ATTENTION TO TRACTS MAY HAVE BEEN INTENTION OF CERTAIN
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ELEMENTS IN MILITARY DIRECTORY IN CONDEMNING THEM, IS POINT

NOT LOST ON MORE SOPHISTICATED OF MALAGASY PUBLIC. END
COMMENT.
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